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# P.N.E.U. NOTES.

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*To whom Hon. Local Secs. are requested to send reports of all matters of interest connected with their branches, also 30 copies of any prospectuses or other papers they may print.*

The Annual Meeting of the Parents' National Educational Union will be held on Thursday, June 27th, at London House, 32, St. James Square (by kind permission of the Bishop of London).

The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Meath will take the chair at 4 p.m. The Rev. Canon Eyton, Oscar Browning, T. W. Sharpe, Esq., M.A., H.M.I., and others have kindly promised to speak.

Cards for the meeting can be obtained on application to the Secretary, P.N.E.U. office, 28, Victoria Street, S.W., or from any of the Branch Secretaries.

*Chairman of Committee:* Dr. A. T. Schofield. *Vice-Chairman:* Algernon C. P. Coote, Esq., M.A. *Hon. Org. Sec.:* Henry Perrin, Esq. *Secretary:* Miss Paterson. Pamphlets giving full particulars of the work of the Union, and the *Parents' Review* (6*d.* monthly), the organ of the Society, may be obtained from the Secretary, 28, Victoria Street, S.W., to whom all subscriptions and communications should be sent.

BELGRAVIA BRANCH.—*Sec.:* Miss Paterson, 28, Victoria Street, S.W. *Treasurer:* Mrs. Hallam Murray. A lecture was announced for May 21st, on "The Parents' Part in the Religious Training of Boys," by the Rev. F. B. Westcott, Headmaster of Sherborne School.

HYDE PARK AND BAYSWATER BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. E. L. Franklin, 9, Pembridge Gardens, W. *May 8th.* Mrs. Francis Steinthal gave a demonstration lesson on "Clay Modelling" at 18, Radnor Place (by the kindness of Lady Hogg); Miss Helen Webb, M.B., in the chair. *June 13th*, 4.30. The Rev. Professor Shuttleworth will lecture on "The Art of Reading," at 83, Lancaster Gate, by the kind permission of the Earl of Meath, who has consented to occupy the chair. The out-door Natural History Lessons have been much appreciated. Excursions are made on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, to places within one hour's rail from London. Fee for single lessons, 2s. All further particulars from Mrs. Franklin, who is at home, at 9, Pembridge Gardens, on Thursday mornings.



HAMPSTEAD AND ST. JOHN'S WOOD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. C. Herbert-Smith, The Retreat, North End.—On *May 7th*, a meeting was held at 159, King Henry's Road, by the kind permission of the Misses Locket (C. Herbert-Smith, Esq., L.L.D., in the chair) when a lecture, illustrated by lantern slides, was given by Dr. MacMaughton Jones on "Alcohol—its use and abuse."

The Article in our issue of last month, on "The Criticism that Teachers desire," is from the pen of Miss Edith Aitken, of the North London Collegiate School for Girls, and was read at a meeting of the Hampstead Branch of the P.N.E.U.

WOODFORD AND WANSTEAD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Pedley, Grove Cottage, Wanstead.

CLAPHAM BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss E. Bloxam, 29, Northside, Clapham Common. A drawing-room meeting was held on Saturday, April 6th, at 4 p.m., at Clapham Rectory, by kind invitation of the Rector, who occupied the chair. Dr. Schofield delivered a most interesting address on "The Physiology of Habit," which greatly impressed the audience. An animated discussion followed, several members declared that Dr. Schofield had given them much to think of in his able lecture. A reading circle was held on Monday, May 6th, at 8 p.m., at Windmill House, Clapham Common, by kind invitation of Mrs. Duke. Mr. Henry Perrin took the chair, and led a very spirited discussion on the fourth chapter of Miss Mason's "Home Education." The next drawing-room meeting will be held towards the end of May (probably the 23rd, at 8 p.m.), Lecturer: Miss Agnes Ward (late Principal of the Maria Grey Teachers' Training College) on "How to Develop our little Children by Training their Powers." Mr. Claude G. Montefiore, chairman of the Froebel Society, will take the chair.

DULWICH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. R. Gordon Milligan, 58, Herne Hill, S.E.

HIGHGATE AND CROUCH END BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. Handcock, 2, Christchurch Road. The third meeting of the branch was held on Monday, April 29th, at 23, Crouch Hall Road, by kind permission of Mrs. Ealand; the Rev. F. Ealand, M.A., occupied the chair, and an interesting paper was read by Dr. Downes, of Eastbourne, on "Certain Radical Defects in Modern Education." In the discussion which followed some differences of opinion were expressed as to wherein lay the grounds of the defects and how they might best be remedied. Forty-two ladies and gentlemen were present, several of whom added their names to the list of members of the branch.

NORTH FINCHLEY.—*Hon. Sec.* (*pro. tem.*): Mrs. Ramsey Wilson, Longcroft, Woodside Park. Arrangements are being made to hold a meeting here with a view to starting a branch of the P.N.E.U.

READING BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mr. William Salmon, 56, London Street.

SOUTHDOWN BRANCH.—

*Brighton Centre.—Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. William Borrer, Pakyns Manor, Hurstpierpoint.

*Eastbourne Centre.—Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. F. Butt, Ingleside, Selwyn Road. It is difficult to speak in adequate terms of the impression made by the lecture given by Miss Webb, M.B., on the 10th May, at the house of the Hon. Sec., entitled, "A plea for the Teaching of Botany: a lecture to Mothers." One result of that meeting is, that small classes are being arranged for the study of Elementary (Physiological) Botany (free) to members of the branch; and the Hon. Sec. will be glad to receive the names of any who are interested in the subject. The next lecture, by Dr. E. Downes, on "Some radical defects of Modern Education," will be held at the Caldecott Museum, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, 11th June.

*Hastings and St. Leonard's Centre.—Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Edward Venables, S. Bernard's Lodge, London Road, S. Leonards. On Thursday, March 21st, at 33, Marina, by the kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Routh, a meeting was held. and an address given by the Rev. H. B. Ottley, Vicar of Eastbourne, on "The Religious Training of Children." Chairman, Rev, F. A. Hughes. On May 27th, Dr. Oakley Higgens was announced to lecture on "The Formation of Habit in Children." Chairman, the Rev. Canon Jones.

LEEDS BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Arthur Smithells, 4, St. Chad's Gardens, Far Headingly.

SOUTHPORT BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. James Dixon, 8, Preston Road

CARDIFF BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Greener, 1, Clare Street, Riverside.

SCARBOROUGH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. G. Rowntree, 14, Valley Bridge, Scarborough.

SHEFFIELD BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Newton Coombe, Brocco Bank, and Miss Walmsley, the High School.

FOLKESTONE BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec:* Mrs. Baynes, 9, Christchurch Road. *Treasurer:* Mrs. Copland-Griffith.

BROUGHTY FERRY BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Don, The Lodge, Broughty Ferry, N.B.

DUNFERMLINE BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* (pro tem): Henry Beveridge, Esq., Pitreavie, Dunfermline, N.B.

EDINBURGH BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Miss Berry Hart, 29, Charlotte Square.

ABERDEEN BRANCH.—*Hon. Sec.:* Mrs. Cary, 434, Union Street. Mrs. Lawson, having removed to Newport, Fife, has been compelled to resign the Hon. Secretaryship of this branch.

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## THE MIGRATION OF BIRDS.

BY R. G. WARDLAW RAMSAY, F.Z.S., M.B.O.U.

THE fact that a considerable number of our British birds are only resident in this country at certain seasons is well known to all, even to the least observant, and there are few, at any rate, of those who live in the country who do not watch with interest the first arrival of such favourite birds as the cuckoo, the corncrake and the swallow.

There are many facts, however, which attend this interesting subject of the arrival and departure of our migrants, and their journeys to and from their summer or winter quarters, of which, no doubt, many of our readers are not aware.

In Great Britain we have about 400 different kinds of birds, not all at the same time, as will be understood when it is stated that our regular British birds may be roughly divided into :—

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| Resident and partial migrants - | 132 |
| Regular migrants (summer) - | 52 |
| Ditto (winter) - - - | 37 |
| Total | 221 |

Partial migrants are such birds as some of the wagtails, the song thrush, redbreast and chaffinch, many of which annually leave our shores, though many remain throughout the winter.